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**Re:** MB Docket No. 04-281

RM - 10591

Federal Communications Commission Office of Secretary

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Transmitted herewith on behalf of Television Capital Corporation of Mobile, a Petitioner in the above-referenced rule making, are an original and four (4) copies of its Comments.

Should any further information be desired in connection with this matter, please communicate with this office.

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To: Chief, Video Division, Media Bureau

#### COMMENTS

Television Capital Corporation of Mobile ("TCCM"), by its attorneys and pursuant to Section 1.415 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.415, hereby submits its comments in response to the *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* ("Notice") issued in the above-captioned proceeding. The *Notice* proposes to amend the NTSC Television Table of Allotments and the Digital Television ("DVT") Table of Allotments by removing NTSC channel 61 at Mobile, Alabama and, in its place, adding DTV channel 18 at Mobile, Alabama. TCCM supports the *Notice* for the reasons set forth herein.

#### Background

In 1996, TCCM, Fant Broadcasting Development, L.L.C. ("Fant"), and Marri Broadcasting, L.P. ("Marri") filed mutually exclusive applications for a construction permit to operate on NTSC channel 61 at Mobile. In 1998, the three applicants resolved mutual exclusivities and filed, on January 30, 1998, a "Joint Approval of Universal Settlement

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In re Amendment of Section 73.606(b), Table of Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations; and Section 73.622(b), Table of Allotments, Digital Broadcast Television Stations (Mobile, Alabama), Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MB Docket No. 04-281, DA 04-2261 (rel. July 29, 2004) ("Notice").

Agreement" seeking grant of the TCCM application and the dismissal of the applications submitted by Fant and Marri. Concurrently, TCCM and Paxson Communications Corporation ("Paxson") submitted an amendment to the surviving application seeking the substitution of Paxson as the surviving applicant. The amendment is still pending without action. These Comments are being submitted herewith by TCCM out of an abundance of caution. If the pending amendment to substitute Paxson for TCCM is approved by the Commission, then these Comments are unnecessary. If, however, for any reason, the pending substitution of Paxson for TCCM is not approved by the Commission, then, and in that event, the "Joint Approval of Universal Settlement Agreement" request would control the disposition of this case and that Agreement seeks the grant of the TCCM application as a part of the settlement.

It is anticipated that the substitution amendment will be approved by the Commission and that these Comments will, therefore, become unnecessary.

On May 15, 2001, the parties filed an amendment proposing to substitute DTV channel 18 in lieu of NTSC channel 61 at Mobile, and to eliminate NTSC channel 61 from the NTSC Table of Allotments. On June 1, 2004, the parties submitted a second amendment in order to resolve potential interference issues with respect to the operations of WMAU-DT, channel 18 at Bude, Mississippi. On July 29, 2004, the Media Bureau released the *Notice* proposing to adopt the parties' proposal, as amended.

## Discussion

For the reasons set forth in the prior pleadings filed by the parties in this proceeding, and as reiterated in these Comments, TCCM requests that the Commission adopt the proposals contained in the *Notice*.

47297 0003.1 (2424 C) WASHINGTON 124731v1 TCCM hereby incorporates by reference the pleadings that previously have been filed by

the parties in this proceeding. In addition, in compliance with Paragraph 2 of the Appendix to

the Notice, TCCM hereby states its present intention to apply for DTV Channel 18 if that channel

is allotted at Mobile, Alabama. In addition, if such application is granted by the Commission,

TCCM hereby restates its present intention to promptly construct facilities to operate on that

channel.

Accordingly, TCCM respectfully requests that the Commission adopt the proposals

contained in the Notice.

Respectfully submitted,

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